



Yucca Weekly Update



Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona

Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet.

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Virtual Library Pilot Program Kick Off. Yucca District Councilmember Joyce Clark distributed e-book readers to six residents on Wednesday as part of her new virtual library pilot program.

The pilot program allows participating residents to download books from the Glendale Public Library system from the convenience of their own home.

"Accessing digital media from mobile devices is becoming extremely popular," said Clark. "This pilot program is my effort at making this format available to Yucca District residents, since this will be how more and more residents will be accessing library materials in the future."

Clark distributed the Nook E-Readers to constituents who had applied to be part of the program. Glendale staff provided information on how to use the tablet readers at the city's Gateway Public Safety Facility. E-books are first downloaded onto a home computer and then transferred to the Nook.

The Glendale Public Library system offers more than 26,000 popular e-books to choose from. All Glendale library patrons with a compatible mobile device can access the library's extensive e-book collection.

As part of the pilot program, each of the participating residents will be asked to complete and return a monthly survey to help determine how much the e-book readers are being used and who else in the household is using them. Clark will use this feedback in deciding whether to continue or expand the virtual library pilot program. The tablets will be on loan to residents for a two-month period.

Applications are still being accepted from Yucca District residents interested in participating in the virtual library pilot program. To receive an application, call Clark's office at 623-930-2250 or send an email to bgeorge@glendaleaz.com.

Zone A Information. This Saturday the Arizona Cardinals will play their first home pre-season game at University of Phoenix Stadium at 7:00 p.m. As with all major stadium events, neighborhood protection barricades will be installed approximately 4 hours before game time and removed 2 hours after the game ends. Please display your placard on your vehicle's rearview mirror when temporary barricades and/or area traffic restrictions are erected in your neighborhood. **The placards issued last year can be used this season.** Please be prepared to stop at the barricade and allow the person staffing the barricade to see the placard before you enter the neighborhood. If you lose and/or need additional placards, please call 623-930-3686. If you don't have your placard, you will be asked to show the barricade attendant proof of residency. Your driver's license will be the most convenient form of identification. Placards are distributed by street address and are not transferable. If you expect visitors on an event day, please contact the Zone A Resource Line at 623-930-3686 by 5:00 p.m. Thursday prior to the event and follow the recorded instructions. You may also enter your visitor information online, by visiting www.GlendaleGotGame.com. This will be used by the Glendale Police to permit entrance by your guests to your residence.

Please ask your guests to use the following designated entry sites for your neighborhood:

- Rovey Farms Estates – guest entrance is located at 83rd and Emil Rovey Parkway.
- Desert Mirage – guest entrance is located at 83rd and Maryland avenues
- Pendergast Estates – guest entrance is located at 91st and Marshall avenues

Visit www.GlendaleGotGame.com for traffic, parking and event information, to request additional placards or register visitors, for barricade updates and traffic flow details. You may also call the Neighborhood Resource Line at 623-930-3686.



Glendale Police Department Seeking Officers

The Glendale Police Department is seeking qualified candidates for the positions of Police Officer Recruit and Police Officer Lateral.

Recruitments for these positions are open from August 22, 2011 through 5:00 p.m. on September 2, 2011. Candidates interested in becoming Police Officers with the Glendale Police Department are encouraged to attend an information session which is being held on Wednesday, August 31 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 5850 W. Glendale Ave, in Glendale, Arizona. Information, including application material, can be found online at www.GlendalePoliceJobs.com.

Hispanic Heritage Breakfast. Luis “Gonzo” Gonzales and Derrick Hall of the Arizona Diamondbacks will be the featured speakers at the Sept. 22 Hispanic Heritage Breakfast organized by the Glendale Hispanic Network, a city of Glendale employee organization committed to promoting cultural awareness and professional development.

The Glendale Hispanic Network is also now taking nominations for the Promoting Community Involvement and Education Award. [Click here](#) for event and award nomination information.

Revisions Requested to Redistricting Maps. The City Council, at its Aug. 16 workshop session, requested revisions to redistricting maps developed by consultants and presented to the public for input over the summer.

The request for map revisions followed the consultant’s recap of public comments, presentation of citizen-drawn maps, and councilmember discussion on keeping “communities of interest” together. The revisions would retain the positively received aspects of what had been labeled Plan A, “The Minimal Change Plan,” and Plan C, “The Middle of the Road Plan.”

The revised maps, which are to be developed by National Demographic Corporation, will be made available to the public as soon as they are complete and will be taken back to the Sept. 6 Glendale City Council workshop session. Changes to the map boundaries, along with updated demographic information for each district, will be posted on the city’s website, www.glendaleaz.com. They’ll also be available by calling the Redistricting Hotline at 623-930-2296.

At the Sept. 6 workshop, council will review the updated maps and direct consultants on what to bring back to the Sept. 13 city council meeting where a formal vote is expected to be taken on a preferred map to submit to the Department of Justice for review. Action at the Sept. 13 meeting will enable city staff to meet filing deadlines with the Maricopa County Election Department and the Department of Justice.

The public is encouraged to continue providing input on redistricting until new districts are approved by the Glendale City Council. [Click here](#) to fill out an online comment form. Comments can also be sent by Fax to (623) 463-6678 or mailed to: Pamela Hanna, Glendale City Clerk, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, Ste. 455, Glendale, AZ 85301.

Once approved and adopted, the final map of voting districts will be used in the city’s 2012 election.

Solicitud de modificación de los planos de reconfiguración distrital. El Consejo de la Ciudad, en su sesión de trabajo del 16 de agosto, solicitó que se modificasen los planos de reconfiguración distrital elaborados por los asesores que se le presentaron a la comunidad para que los evaluase este verano.

La solicitud de modificación de los planos se basa en el resumen sobre los comentarios de la comunidad a cargo de los asesores, la presentación de los planos diseñados por los ciudadanos y la discusión de los concejales sobre no dividir a “las comunidades de interés.” Las modificaciones tomarán en cuenta los aspectos que se consideraron positivos de lo que se ha denominado Plan A, “Plan con cambios mínimos” (*The Minimal Change Plan*), y Plan C, “Plan intermedio” (*The Middle of the Road Plan*).

Los planos modificados, que serán elaborados por *National Demographic Corporation*, se pondrán a disposición de la comunidad tan pronto estén listos y se presentarán en la sesión de trabajo del Consejo de la Ciudad de Glendale el 6 de septiembre. En la página web de la Ciudad, www.glendaleaz.com, se publicarán los cambios en los límites de los planos, así como información demográfica actualizada de cada distrito. Estos datos también estarán disponibles llamando a la línea directa sobre reconfiguración distrital al 623-930-2296.

En la sesión de trabajo del 6 de septiembre, el Consejo revisará los planos actualizados y le indicará a los asesores qué deben presentar en la reunión del Consejo de la Ciudad el 13 de septiembre, en la cual debería tener lugar la votación formal sobre el plano preferido para presentárselo al Departamento de Justicia para su evaluación. La decisión en la reunión el 13 de septiembre le permitirá al personal de la Ciudad cumplir con los plazos de presentación establecidos por el Departamento Electoral del Condado de Maricopa y el Departamento de Justicia.

Se invita a la comunidad a seguir opinando sobre la reconfiguración distrital hasta que el Consejo de la Ciudad de Glendale apruebe los nuevos distritos. Haga [clic aquí](#) para llenar un formulario de comentarios por vía electrónica. También puede enviar sus comentarios por fax al (623) 463-6678 o por correo a la atención de Pamela Hanna, Glendale City Clerk, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, Ste. 455, Glendale, AZ 85301.

Una vez aprobado y adoptado, el plano definitivo de los distritos electorales se utilizará en la elección de la Ciudad en el 2012.

Around Town

Loop 101 Closures and Restrictions.

- Loop 101 will be narrowed to two lanes in both directions between 75th and 51st avenues from 10 p.m. Friday to 5 a.m. Monday, Aug. 29 for rubberized asphalt paving.
- The northbound Loop 101 off-ramp at Bell Road will be closed from 10 p.m. Friday to 5 a.m. Monday, Aug. 29 for paving and striping.
- Southbound Loop 101 will be narrowed to one lane between Glendale Avenue and Bethany Home Road from 10 p.m. Friday to noon Saturday, Aug. 27 for ramp widening. The Glendale Avenue on-ramp and Bethany Home off-ramp will also be closed.
- Southbound Loop 101 will be closed between Glendale Avenue and I-10 from 11:30 p.m. Saturday to 5 a.m. Monday, Aug. 29 for restriping.

[Click here](#) for a full list of Loop 101 restrictions.

Labor Day Holiday. City of Glendale offices will close Monday, Sept. 5 in observance of Labor Day. [Click here](#) for information on how the holiday will affect city programs and services.

Glendale Public Library Offers e-Reader Workshop. Glendale Public Library is offering a workshop to help potential e-reader buyers sort out the differences between five of the top-rated devices: the Sony Pocket Reader; the Barnes & Noble Nook; the Barnes & Noble Nook Color; the Amazon Kindle; and the Apple iPad. The free workshop, "Introduction to E-Book Readers," will be held on Wednesday, September 14 and repeated on October 12, November 16 and December 14 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the large meeting room at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. The session will overview the features, specifications and functions of each device. Participants will also have an opportunity to explore each of the devices.

To register for the free workshops call 623-930-3531 or stop by the reference desk at the Main Library.

Live at the Library. Live at the Library welcomes Wayward Maggie with Jess Hawk Oakenstar and Kate DeLaPointe. Their musical presentation rests somewhere between mournfully dark and rockingly/rollickingly comedic, but it's hard to pin them down. Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 22 at the Glendale Main Library's Auditorium, 5959 W. Brown Street.

Teddy Bear Day, Sept. 10. Celebrate Teddy Bear Day with make-and-take arts and crafts, special treats and exclusive deals in Historic Downtown Glendale on Saturday, September 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendees are encouraged to start their day at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140, where they can pick up a map of participating merchants, coupons and a gift bag for the first 500 attendees. At the Visitor Center, participants can also take a spin on the prize wheel, and can contribute a new or gently hugged teddy bear. Donated bears will be provided to the Glendale Fire Department Trauma Teddy Program, the Glendale Crisis Response Team and United Way to comfort young children who have been affected by a traumatic event. [Click here](#) or call 623-930-4500 for more information.

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